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Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Department of Natural Resources  
Office of Conservation  
P. O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Third Duhon Sand, Reservoir H  
**ABBEVILLE FIELD**  
Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Republic Resources, L.L.C., to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Third Duhon Sand, Reservoir H, in the Abbeville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the Third Duhon Sand, Reservoir H, in the Abbeville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this sand and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created.
3. To designate a unit operator for the unit so created.
4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the Third Duhon Sand, Reservoir H, shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Leon E. Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505, (337)233-9839.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana, on April 10, 2003, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance.

The conference was opened with a discussion by Mr. Leon E. Comeaux, representing Republic Resesources, L.L.C., concerning the nature and purpose of the conference and the bases for the applicant's proposed unit. The proposed well, although designated in Reservoir H, is intended to penetrate the Duhon 3 Sand in Reservoir F. The location of the proposed well was 200' from the adopted unit boundary.

Mr. Bob Duplantis, representing Hilcorp who is operator of the Duhon 3 RF SUA, suggested that the proposed well should be at a legal location. Republic decided to revise the location to 330' from the Reservoir F unit boundary. Hilcorp has reserved its right to file a counterplan in this matter if they so chose.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof a revised plat outlining the proposed unit, the conference attendance list, and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Republic Resources, L.L.C., in the sum of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSOCIATES



Leon E. Comeaux

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LGDC  
Dupree

John Minnick, Jr., et al

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Cameron Drug  
Store, Inc.

John Minnick, Jr., et al

155-A-17

C. J. Bergeron

SUA  
D)  
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Hilcorp  
(Marshall)  
Donohue

B. Young  
Craig

Prop.  
Loc.  
+330'

Carl J. Durke

C. Durke

W. M. Derouen

C. Durke

R. Young

Marie E. Lege Donohue

Creighton Durke

Ethel Durke

Hazel Durke

Beatrice Durke

BHP

Derouen Ruby Durke

Willie Mae  
Chauvin Derouen

As Per Order

DUHON 3 RF SUA  
Order No. 155-A-15

Aminoil

1 (ST)

12639'

1 (OH)

12720'

Dant Oper.  
R. J. Young

1

12700'

EXHIBIT NO. DOCKET NO.

REPUBLIC RESOURCES, L.L.C.

ABBEVILLE FIELD  
VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT  
DUHON 3 SAND  
Geology by: Leon Comeaux

0 500' 1000'

DATE:

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